

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, and 4 remain pending in the present application. The Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claim 3 was appreciated. By this Amendment, the allowable subject matter of claim 3 (now canceled) is incorporated into independent claims 1 and 4 to place the present application into condition for allowance. Therefore, entry of this Amendment and an early Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicant respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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